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From the Kentucky State Nature Preserves Commission

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Media Advisory

KENTUCKY STATE NATURE PRESERVES COMMISSION TO MEET

FRANKFORT, Ky. (March 10, 2003) -- The Kentucky State Nature Preserves Commission (KSNPC) will conduct its quarterly meeting on Tuesday, March 18, 2003, at 2:30 p.m. EST. The meeting will be conducted in the meeting room at KSNPC's office located at 801 Schenkel Lane, Frankfort, Franklin County, Kentucky. Additional information on the meeting is available by calling (502) 573-2886.

KSNPC will be presenting the annual Biological Diversity Protection Award to Dr. Guenter Schuster, Ph.D., and the Volunteer Steward Award to Martha Payne, Darren Payne and Carol von Lanken at this meeting.

KSNPC's mission is to protect Kentucky's natural heritage by: (1) identifying, acquiring and managing natural areas that represent the best-known occurrences of rare, native species, natural communities and significant natural features in a statewide nature preserve system; (2) working with others to protect biological diversity; and (3) educating Kentuckians as to the value and purpose of nature preserves and biodiversity conservation. The commission inventories Kentucky for significant natural areas and protects the best examples in a state nature preserve system with 17,835 acres statewide.

The meeting facility is accessible to people with disabilities. KSNPC will provide, upon request, reasonable accommodations including auxiliary aids and services necessary to afford individuals with disabilities an equal opportunity to participate in all programs and activities. Contact Cecilia Mitchell at KSNPC before March 17, 2002, at (502) 573-2886 between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. EST, if special arrangements are needed.

More information about the commission can be obtained by mail (KSNPC, 801 Schenkel Lane, Frankfort, KY 40601-1403), by telephone (502) 573-2886 or on the Internet (www.kynaturepreserves.org).